

# THE EMPRESS EXPRESS

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### Delegates Sent to C.P.R.

Citizens Hold Meeting and Elect Members to Interview Department

A general meeting of the citizens was held on Friday night last for the purpose of discussing the question as to the advisability of sending a delegation to interview the C.P.R. in connection with the sale of the townsite.

A large attendance was the result of the meeting and much discussion took place on the subject. It was finally decided to send two delegates, Messrs. Trovina and Peterson being the citizens selected by the meeting.

The delegates left the city for Calgary on Monday returning yesterday.

They were successful in gaining an interview, and returned with the following information.

The authorities do not give the information as official. The sale is expected to be held in Medicine Hat on November 6th and will be sold by auction, a reserve price being set on all lots. The original survey will of the townsite will stand.

### AN UNSCRUPULOUS FAKIR

Incensed at the idea that Pastor Russell had imposed on 1100 newspapers throughout the country inasmuch as they print the pastor's sermons each week the Winnipeg Ministerial Association after listening to a scathing denunciation of the methods of Pastor Russell, given by Rev. G. B. Wilson, decided that the press should be notified that Pastor Russell is "an unscrupulous fakir." Rev. G. W. Gordon who presided at the meeting as chairman, said: "At first blush it may seem undignified to pass the motion in the words of Dr. Wilson, but on second thoughts they are exactly the right words."

### Empress Day School

Will Soon Be Started

The necessary funds for the starting of the Empress Day School have now been raised, and as soon as a few necessary arrangements are through and equipment arrives the

NOTICE is hereby given that the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY, did, on the 12th day of September A.D. 1913, file in the Calgary Land Titles Office, as number Ry. 671, Plan and Book of Reference combined and Profile showing portion of its proposed Branch Line from Bassano Easterly from a point in Section 5, Township 22, Range 3, West of the 4th Meridian to a point in Section 10, Township 23, Range 1, West of the 4th Meridian. Mile 98.72 to Mile 115.50 Revised Location.

Dated at Winnipeg, this 15th day of September, A.D. 1913.  
P. McPherson.

school will be started. Mr. Ed. Allen has the work in hand of generally making alterations and getting the building into shape so as to be cosy and comfortable for the youngsters and we understand, is doing a very good job.

### FLOW AT NIGHT

With powerful headlights on the tractor engine, throwing a brilliant light across the fields, farmers in many parts of Manitoba are at present plowing far into the night. Frequently it is midnight before the big outfits quit work, men working in relays to keep them going up to the maximum of their propulsion while the weather is fine. As a result of the great progress made, there will be practically no plowing to do next spring and the farmers will be able to get the seed in, under normal conditions, much earlier than in former years.

According to a southern Manitoba man, it is years since there has been such an opportunity to get fall plowing done. Fine weather for harvesting and threshing made it possible to get these out of the way in the minimum of time and permitted a start on fall plowing in some cases early in September. Fine weather has also favored this work and it has been pushed all day and far into the night.

### C.P.R. Bridge Started

Work on the C.P.R. Bridge across the Saskatchewan River has now begun in earnest and the first coggerdan, has been sunk for the building of the first pier. Rumor has it that the bridge will be finished by the middle of next year, but there are many opinions expressed on this matter. Work on the bridge will go on continually, day and night shifts being employed seven days per week, we understand, as soon as everything is in full swing.

### FIRE WARNING

Citizens are warned in the burning of rubbish out on the prairie to take extra precautions. A fire, which may have had serious results if the wind had been in the opposite direction got started on Monday, and burnt off quite a large area of short prairie grass before it was finally subdued.

It was a wise man who defined a grapefruit as a "lemon which had a chance and took it." Most so-called chances are no good unless they are taken, and usually they have to be well-nursed after taking. There is a fine future for the town or the man who everlastingly digs after success, and just grins and goes on when in the natural course of things a decision to quit might be expected.

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and

Alaska

Once more has the world been shocked by an appalling sea tragedy, and the terrible disaster of the Titanic is again revived. The passenger boat Volturno, with over 700 persons on board is the ill-fated vessel. It is expected that over a hundred persons have perished. Fire was the cause of disaster. This affords but another illustration of the puniness of man after all

Advertisers would confer a great favor by making sure that their ads. are in this office for change not later than Tuesday, after this day changes of advts. cannot be guaranteed.

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Real Estate

The  
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**FRIDAY, OCT. 17, 1913**

**Provincial Hail Insurance A Success**

Exceeding the most sanguine expectations of all who have been engaged in the administration of the Saskatchewan Hail Insurance Commission, records of the commission for the season now closed indicate that when all claims have been met and all collections made, there will be a surplus on hand on the year's working of more than \$100,000, while in all probability the total will be in excess of \$150,000.

According to J. E. Paynter, chairman of the commission, the amount due from all municipalities in which the act has been adopted will be in the neighborhood of \$800,000. The amount of the claims to be met will not be less than \$600,000 and may be considerably more than this sum.

"That such should be the condition of the finances of the commission in a year when the losses from hail have probably been abnormally large," said Mr. Paynter, "demonstrates that the objects of the commission have been achieved, and that the system is based upon the most substantial foundation. It is reported that a number of the private companies have paid out a sum in excess of their income from premiums. If this be the case, the success of the government plan is still the more remarkable."

Mr. Paynter stated that an inexacting enquiry into the manner in which the hail insurance act had been administered in the municipalities, had been carried out by the commission. It showed that

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the banks throughout the province had decided not to assist local authorities in the payment of the insurance taxes. In many instances the banks had refused to make any advances to municipalities to carry them over until the taxes could be collected even though indebtedness had previously been contracted

During 1913, a total of 115 municipalities, covering more than one half of the cropped area of the province have been insured under the commission. The municipalities range in area from 150,000 to 200,000 acres, and it is estimated that more than 20,000,000 acres in the grain growing territory are subject to taxation for government insurance. More than 60,000 farmers are affected, and the number of claims that will be paid this year will be in the neighbourhood of 3,500 the average claims for each municipality being \$7,000.

While a complete statement as to the cost of administration is not yet available, Mr. Paynter states that this will be very small in proportion to the extent of the business carried on under the auspices of the commission.—Free Press.

**Over \$22,000,000 for Wheat in September**

The close of the month of the crop year 1913 shows a record for wheat movements never before dreamed of in the Canadian West. In that period, 23,169 cars were inspected. The average contents of a car of wheat is 1,125 bushels making a total of 26,085,125 of which 23,883,023 bushels were of contract trade. Worked out at the regular Winnipeg prices the value is, \$22,213,553.81.

**BIG POTATO CROP**

The potato crop in southern Alberta this year, is one of the largest the south country has ever produced. Last year was considered a record year to date, but 1913 will stand out for a year at least as being the top year as far as tubers are concerned. This spring it was impossible to sell potatoes. Many pits and cellars were full and the owners could not get anyone to take them out and use them without charge. The present season does not seem to indicate any advance in the price. A few may be shipped out of the country to Manitoba, where the crop is slim, but the large haul will either stay in the ground or be fed to hogs or stock.

**Helpful To Homesteaders**

An order has been issued by the department of the interior which greatly relieves the conditions applying in the case of purchased homesteads. The new regulation relieves the purchaser of the necessity of putting up a residence under certain conditions. The circular from Ottawa reads:

The regulations at present in force call for the erection of a house worth \$300 on a purchased homestead, when the residence duties are being performed under the clause permitting residence on purchased land owned in the vicinity, but when the entrant has performed his residence duties on a patented free homestead, he is not called upon to erect a house on his purchased homestead.

After giving the matter careful consideration, the department has decided that as the holder of a purchased homestead has been allowed to perform his residence duties on land living upon purchased land, it may further be ruled that in the case of residence performed in this manner the entrant shall only be called upon to show ownership of a \$300 house on his purchased land.

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A beautiful Line of  
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In future, therefore, in dealing with application for patent for a purchased homestead, the entrant who has performed his residence duties on purchased land in the vicinity will be treated in exactly the same manner as an entrant who has complied with the act with respect to residence by living on his patented free homestead.

**Railway Routes Approved**

Hon. J. D. Reid, acting minister of railways, has approved the route Map of the Canadian Northern Railway between Sturgis and Hudson's Bay Junction. The minister who approved the revision of the C.P.R. Swift - Current branch running north - westerly near Empress, approved of the revision of the C.N.R. line from Morris southerly, and of the Alberta Central revision Townships 26 and 27, range 26 west of the third meridian was withheld for present approval of both lines will probably be given next week on the receipt of the minister of further information.

Some newspapermen are terrible liars. In writing of a cyclone east, one of them said it turned the well inside out, a cellar upside down, moved a township line, blew the staves out of a whiskey barrel and left nothing but a bung hole, changed the day of the week, blew a mortgage off a farm, blew all the tracks out of a fence and knocked the wind out of a politician.





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### LOCAL AND GENERAL

Monday Thanksgiving Day.  
Mr. Schiltz made a trip to the Hat this week.

Mr. G. A. Seville made a trip to the Hat on Monday.

Messrs. Loeb, Leonard and Ogletree left by auto on Thursday on a hunting expedition.

Mr. Roy Haggins left on a trip to the Hat on Tuesday.

Mrs. F. Ogletree is expecting to leave for the east on Sunday.

Dr. Wallace's mother is in town visiting this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Cole made a trip to Cabri last week.

Dr. McCulloch of Brooks was a visitor to the city on Tuesday.

Mrs. C. Lunde made a trip to Alaska the beginning of the week.

Mr. Dave Ogletree made a trip by auto to Prussia on Monday night.

Mr. W. T. McDonald is expecting to move his camp alongside that of Mr. Madden's almost directly.

Some of the young people here attended the dance held in Alaska on Tuesday night last.

Mr. Albert Boyd started to work on the grade this week with four horses at Mr. Madden's Camp.

Owing to Mr. Davey's car breaking down a few mile out of town on Friday last Mr. Haggins fulfilled the office of mail carrier.

Union Church Service is held every Sunday at 7:30 p.m. on the west side. A cordial invitation is extended to all.

Mr. Rowles and his daughter Edith left on Wednesday of this week for Medicine Hat for the purpose of entering on land.

Nurse Lough, of Castle Coombe, is nursing a patient at Mr. Begg's Camp.

We are pleased to hear that Mr. Coatt's instrument man of Mr. Abercrombie's Camp is steadily improving.

Mr. Latta is now running the Empress Bakery in the absence of Mr. Mackie.

The Anglican Church held service last Sunday morning, this being the first morning service held by them here since the starting of the Church in Empress. A very successful service was the result.

Mr. John Wilson, who has a ranch some thirty miles west of town moved his household effects on Tuesday of this week to Mrs. Vancleave's place there to keep house this winter.

Mr. G. R. M. Stritzel is busy these days on the construction of a house for his wife and family whom he is expecting to arrive here in a short time now Mr. Stritzel was slightly indisposed a few days this week.

Mr. Gilbert Carter returned to town this week. Mr. Carter has been fortunate enough to secure a good homestead on the Weyburn-Lethbridge line, near Govanlock and intends spending the winter in that district.

Religious service is held every Sunday at 3 p.m., also Sunday school starting at 2 p.m. by the Rev. Washington, at the home of Mr. W. Rowles, sec. 36, 23, 29 Everybody Welcome.

Messrs. Fox and May have now finished their grade work here and will leave this district to take up grade work for the C.N.R. in the vicinity of Kindersley.

WANTED—Position as Book-keeper or Clerk in General Store, in Empress or near at hand; four years experience, also three and a half year's banking experience. Best of references. Address all communications c/o "Express" office

For that Cold Use Brown's Cold Capsules. No cure, no pay

Surveyors are busy this week surveying the S.W. 4 of Sec. 9.

Messrs. Dutton and Timson were in town on Saturday.

Messrs. N. D. Storey and family returned to the city yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. Malton made a business trip to Alaska this week.

Messrs. Gregg, Lamb, McGovern and others attended the dance held at Alask on Tuesday night last. We wonder why Lamb went?

Mr. G. L. Brown is busy this week getting his store into shape having had to lengthen his store to make room for stock.

Many districts report quite a fall of snow, but Empress so far is among the fortunate districts and has yet to see her first fall of snow this year.

Mr. Dave Ogletree returned to the city on Saturday from Estuary, Sask., where Messrs. Ogletree Bros. are opening a branch store.

A thanksgiving dance will be held in the Hotel Empress on Monday next. A cordial invitation is extended to all and a pleasant time promised. Dancing will commence at 8:30 p.m.

Mr. Sam Johnson has disposed of his blacksmithing business to Mr. Wm. Sparling. Mr. Sparling has lately had a large garage built called the Alberta Garage and is open for all descriptions of automobile and engine repairing, the garage has an accommodation for ten or more cars.

### BUSINESS DIRECTORY

The following is a list of the businesses whose advertisements appear in this issue:  
Automobiles: M. L. Haggins, agent Ford Automobiles.

Builders and Contractors: Simmons & Handley, D. Watt, E. Allen

Butcher Shop: Empress Meat Market.

Building Movers: E. E. Knight and Co.

Carriage Builders: Simmons & Handley.

Cement Blocks: Empress Lumber & Artificial Stone Co.  
Coal and Ice: Road and Riddle.  
Decorators: Collins and Son  
Drug Store, etc.: Geo. L. Brown.

Furniture: R. G. McIntyre N. D. Storey

Grocery Stores: Cole & Belfie

General Stores: Globe Store

Harness Makers: Otto Lange

Hardware Stores: Empress Hardware, Ogletree Bros.

Hotel: Hotel Empress

Jeweller, etc.: B. L. Dawdy

Lumber: Revelstoke Sawmill Co., Ltd., the Empress Lumber and Artificial Stone Co., Empress Lumber Co., Empress Lumber Yard.

Newspaper and Printing: The Empress Express.

Real Estate: M. L. Haggins J. M. Schiltz, Empress Realty Co., The Pioneer Real Estate Agency, The Interstate Land Co.

Restaurant: King George Restaurant

Undertaker: M. C. Baer.

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